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ON REQUEST FOR RESTORATION OF HUGH BRODERICK'S PARCH-MENTS.—W. H. Rogers, W. C. Daily, R. W. Patty.

TO MAKE APPLICATION TO HOLSTON CONFERENCE, M.E.CHURCH SOUTH, FOR RESTORATION OF H. BRODERICK'S PARCHMENTS.—W. C. Graves.

ON ONE CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.—J. F. Spence, R. H. Guthrie, H. Presnell, N. E. Cobleigh, P. C. Wilson.

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II. Conference Directory.

I. MEMBERS.

NAMES.	When Admitted.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY AND STATE.
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Robert O. Ayres,	1864	Knoxville,	Tennessee.
Jonathan N. Baker,	1867	Athens,	McMinn, Tenn.
W. B. Ballenger,	1870	Cleveland,	Tennessee,
·Rufus D. Black,	1863	Greeneville,	Greene, Tenn.
Lemuel Bogart,	1866	Sevierville,	Tennessee.
Thomas W Brown,	1868	Athens,	McMinn, Tenn.
M. H. B. Burkett,		Cleveland,	Tennessee.
Hilton H. Burke,	1867	,	
Daniel Battin,		Limestone Cave	Carter, Tenn.
J. L. Cardwell,			,
Daniel Carter,			
Philip L. Chambers,	1865	Cleveland,	Tennessee.
Nelson E. Cobleigh,		Atlanta,	Georgia.
Geo. W. Coleman,		Kingston,	Roane, Tenn.
Elbert B. Clark,	1872	,	
Wm. C. Daily,	1843	Athens,	McMinn, Tenn.
Jas. M. Durham,	1867	Jonesboro',	Washington, Tenn.
Jas. A. Dean,		Athens,	McMinn, Tenn.
A. F. English,		,	zazani, zenn.
Frank M. Fanning,	1837	Avery's Creek,	North Carolina,
Jas. B. Fitzgerald,	1865	Greeneville,	Greene, Tenn.
Jno. B. Ford,		Knoxville,	Tennessee.
John Forrester,	1861	,	1 OIIIOMSCC.
ISAAC FORTNER,†	2002		
G. A. Gowin,	1849	Chattanooga,	Tennessée,
Wm. C. Graves,			Polk, Tenn,
Andrew J. Greer,	1856		2 0111, 2 01111,
Samuel Greer,	2000		, 1
Rob't H. Guthrie,	1850	Chattanooga,	Tennessee.
Spencer Henry,	1868	Maryville,	Blount, Tenn.
J. N. S. Huffaker,	2000	J ,	Dionit, Itili.
John R. Hughes,	1867	Greeneville,	Greene, Tenn.
J. Aibert Hyden,	1855	Athens,	McMinn, Tenn.
Samuel W. Hyden,	1861	,	The continuity of the control of the
Wesley Harkins,			
John H. Jennings,	1868	Russelville,	Tennessee.

^{*} Names printed in Italics are Supernumeraries.

[†] Names printed in SMALL CAPITALS are Superanuates.

NAMES.	When Admitted.	POST-OFFICE	es.	COUNTY AND STATE.	
George Julian,	1867	Cleveland,		Tennessee.	
Wm. Kinsland,	1001	Spring House	2,	Grainger, Tenn.	
James D. Lawson,	1868		,	, ,	
Daniel B. Lawton,	1836	Knoxville,		Tennessee.	
John Leach,	1050	IZ n or will o		Tonnessee	
Joshua B. Little, Edwin M. Lockwood	1869	Knoxville, Jonesboro',		Tennessee. Washington, Tenn.	
Wm. R. Long,	1844	Athens,		McMinn, Tenn.	
John W. Mann,	1857				
Jonathan L. Mann,	1860	Jonesboro',		Washington, Tenn.	
John J. Manker,	1866	Knoxville,		Tennessee.	
James H. McGriff, Joseph Milburn,	1808	Cleveland, Milburnton,		Bradley, Tenn. Tennessee.	
Joseph P. Milburn,	1861			Tennessee.	
John N. Moore.	1865	Athens,		Tennessee.	
Raphael W. Patty,	1834	Morristown,			
THOMAS H. PEARNE,	1000	Kingston,		Jamaica.	
John S. Petty,	1866 1867	Athens,		McMinn, Tenn.	
Henry Pyle, Patrick H. Reed,	1855				
Wm. H. Rogers,	1832				
Thomas H. Russell,	2002				
James A. Ruble,	1866	Elizabethton	,	Carter, Tenn.	
A. F. Shannon,	1845	Harrison,		Hamilton, Tenn.	
Moses Seaton, W. D. Smith,	1887	Rheatown, Cleveland,		Greene, Tenn. Tennessee.	
John F. Spence,	1001	Knoxville,		Knox, Tenn.	
John N. Stamper,	1865	Campbell Sta	t'n	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	
Elijah Still,		Cleveland,		Tennessee.	
John G. Trull, Thomas S. Walker,	1866			re	
Benjamin F. Wells,	1861	Fall Branch, Henderson,		Tennessee. North Carolina.	
Thomas R. West,	1866	Tampico,		Grainger, Tenn.	
Rufus M. Witt,	1869	Tulipico,		Granger, Tellar	
John F. Woodfin.	1857	Boylston,		Henderson, N. C.	
Absalom B. Wright,	1867				
Albert G. Watkins,	1872	Mossy Creek	,	Tennessee.	
COLORED MEMBERS.					
William Bluford,	1869			4	
Harrison Huston,	1868				
Charles K. Mays.	1867				
Alfred P. Melton,		Chattanooga	,	Tennessee.	
Samuel Patterson, John C. Tate,	1868	Clinton,		Anderson Tonn	
James Yarnell,	1872			Anderson, Tenn.	
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II. PROBATIONERS.

FIRST YEAR.

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NAMES.	When Admitted.	POST-OFFICES.	COUNTY AND STATE.
Marion Bell, John B. Brooks, Andrew J. Bruner, Robert Clark, Wanser P. Fair, Wm. H. Harrison, Jacob Mann, Lewis Neil, Ralf Pierce, James F. Perry, A. C. Peters, James B. Seaton,	1870 1870 1872 1870 1870 1870 1871 1871 1872 1872	New Market,	Tennessee.
Clem Shaw, Nathaniel G. Taylor,	1871		McMinn, Tenn.

III. DECEASED MEMBERS.

NAME.	BORN.	ADMITTED.	DIED.
WILLIS INGLE, DAVID FLEMING, JAMES CUMMING, WM. A. MARSHALL, W. H. H. DUGGAN,	1798. May 4, 1779. 1819. July 3, 1815.	1838. 1824.	Oct. 29, 1867. Aug. 28,1868. Sept. 29,1871. Aug. 11,1872.

IV. LOCAL PREACHERS.

NAME.	ORDER.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY AND STATE.
Martin V. Barnett, David W. Beaver, John Buttram, Jos. R. Burchfield, John Burchfield, Samuel N. Bell, John Boyington, Absalom Brown, Asa Bogur, A. Bunn,	,	Flat Gap, Sewee, Mouse Creek, Dandridge, Dandridge, Haysville, Knoxville, Bersheba, Head of Barren Arcadia,	Jefferson, Tenn. Meigs, Tenn. Meigs, Tenn. MeMinn, " Jefferson, " Jefferson, " Clay, North Carolina. Knox, Tenn. Grundy, " Claiborne, Tenn. Sullivan, "

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NAME.	ORDER.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY AND STATE
A. J. Bruner,		Lost Mountain,	Greene, Tenn.
J. H. Carter,		Travisville,	Fentress, "
John Cassada,		Erie,	Loudon, "
Caperton Clear,	1	Wallace's⋉Rds	
Rowan Clear,		Bull Run,	Knox '"
J. R. Crank,	Deacon,	Speedwell,	Claiborne "
John Cox,	Elder,	Dandridge,	Jefferson, "
Giles W. Caton,		Sevierville,	Sevier "
Isaac Clark,	Elder,	Pigeon River,	Haywood, N. C.
Andrew F. Coine,		Fall Branch,	Washington, Tenn.
C. P. Card,		Soddy,	Hamilton, Tenn.
Wm. Clark,		Red Clay,	Georgia.
Robert Dykes,		Beersheba,	Grundy, Tenn.
Taylor Duggan,		Beersheba,	Grundy, "
Azariah Lalton,		Thorn Hill,	Grainger, "
Wm. De Pew,		Jonesborough,	Washington, Tenn.
Thomas W. Davis,		Waynesville,	Haywood, N. C.
John Duggan,		Beersheba,	Grundy, Tenn.
John Evans,	D	Haysville,	Haywood, N. C.
J. T. Evans,		Pigeon River,	Haywood, "
Peter W. Emmert, John L. Fowler,	Deacon,	Elizabethton,	Carter, Tenn.
John L. Fowler,	Elder,	Scarbrough,	Anderson,"
George W. French,		Head of Barren	Claiborne,"
Whitter Geary,		Cedar Fork,	Tonnagas
W. I. Gillett,	}	Crossville,	Tennessee.
W. W. Hall, G. W. Henegar,		Pigeon River,	Haywood, N. C.
J. P. Hale,		Speedwell,	Claiborne, Tenn. Bledsoe, "
W. L. Humphrey,		Pikeville, Smith's ⋈ R'd₃,	
Hugh I. Henry,		Gamble's Store,	
Pleasant H. Henry,		Gamble's Store,	Blount. "
Dutton Hood,		Fall Branch,	Washington, Tenn.
A. P. Hart,		Elizabethton,	Carter,
David P. Hunt,		Johnson City,	Washington, "
James Humphur,		Hembreeville,	Washington, "
r. D. Harding,		Well Spring,	Campbell, "
A. C. Hunter,	Elder,	Ducktown,	Polk, "
E. R. Israel,	T.	Avery's Creek,	Buncombe, N. C.
H. B. Jones,	Deacon,	Oliver,	Anderson. Tenn.
Presley E. Johnson	Deacon,	Cleveland,	Bradley, "
Henry Jones,	Daggar	Camp Creek,	dicene,
lames Jory,	Deacon,	Ducktown,	FOIK,
sham Julian,	Deacon,	Chatata,	Drauley,
rancis Kirby,		Scarbrough,	Zili del Boll,
David King,		Tazewell,	Oldinoollino,
Wm. Lay,		Lay's Roads,	Union, Property
D. C. Lanhem, Vm. P. Lowry,	Elder,	Travisville,	T CHUICES,
ames H Lowery	Diuci,	Kingston,	Toane,
ames H. Lowery, ames H. Ledford,		Riceville,	McMinn, "Toombs, Georgia.
ames Little,		Hiwassee, Johnson City,	Washington, Tenn.
Charels K. Lewis,		Jasper,	Marion, Tenn.
		Loy's × Roads,	Union, "
William Lov.			
William Loy, Wm. K. Leeper,	Deacon.	Strawberry Pl's	Jefferson, "

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NAME.	order.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY AND STATE.
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A. Murphy,	Elder,	Taylorsville,	Johnson, Tenn.
James Murphy,	Fldon	Rheatown,	Greene, Tenn.
John A. Matheson,	Ender,	Haysville,	Clay, Georgia.
J. F. I. Marshall, John Martin,	1	Hot House, Beersheba,	Fanning, "Grundy, Tenn.
James M. McCart,	Deacon	Wartburg,	Morgan, "
Henry A: McCart	Deacon,	Wartburg,	Morgan, "
Wm. M. McLain,		New Market,	Jefferson, "
Thos. J. Matney,		Leesburg,	Washington, Tenn.
B. F. Mountain,		Head of Barren	Carter, Tenn.
John Murdock,		Pall Mall,	Fentress, "
Wm. I. M. Maskell		Knoxville,	Knox, "
John H. McNutt,		Henry's ⋈ R'ds,	
Marshall Nelson,		Jonesborough,	Washington, Tenn.
K. C. Newland,	Doggon	Taylorsville,	Tennessee.
Peter Ogan,		Thorn Hill,	Grainger, Tenn.
Joseph W. Peace, John Pendergress,	Deacon,		
Wm. Payne,	Deacon,	Soddy	manimon,
John Parker,	Deacon,	Soddy, Thorn Grove,	Hamilton, "Grainger, "
Andrew Parker,		Thorn Grove,	Grainger, "
Thomas Pannel,		Beaver Creek,	Jefferson, "
	111	Tazewell,	Claiborne, "
Henry Poor, J. G. Palmer,	111	Sharp's Chapel,	
B. Perly,		Clinton,	Anderson, "
Robert Ramsey,		Jamestown,	Fentress, "
F. E. Rusley,		Avery's Creek,	Buncombe, N. C.
John S. Snodgrass,	-	Happy Valley,	Carter, Tenn.
Jacob Sharp,	Deacon,	New Market,	Jefferson,"
Jesse Shipley, Asa Stamper,	Toldon	Sail Creek,	Hamilton"
Stephen Sharitts,	Elder,	Cleveland, Athens,	Dianiey,
Alfred Suffrage,		Hayne's,	McMinn, " Union, "
W. G. Sherman,	- 0	Thorn Grove,	Grainger, "
W. G. Sliger,		Athens,	McMinn,"
Albert J. Tipton,		Elizabethton.	Carter, "
James Taylor,	Elder,	Speedwell, Smith's ⋈ R'ds,	Claiborne,"
Joseph Thompson,	1.1	Smith's ⋈ R'ds,	Rhea, "
Anderson Trim,		Cleveland,	Bradley, "
Samuel M. Tate,	1	Jasper,	Marion, "
John Thomas, James H. Tuder,		Jasper,	Marion, "
D A Thompson		Robertsville,	Anderson"
D. A. Thompson, M. S. Thomas,		Jouesborough, Cedar Mount'n,	Washington, Tenn.
John Toy.	- 0	New Market,	
John Toy, Murphy Vaughn, John B. Walker,		Ten Mile,	Jefferson, Tenn. Meigs, Tenn.
John B. Walker,		Cherry Grove,	Washington, Tenn.
John Woody		Erie,	Loudon, Tenn.
Thomas E. Wright,		Thorn Grove,	Grainger, "
J. A. White,		Pikeville,	Bledsoe, "
James C. Wright,		Travisville,	Fentress, "
Samuel Williams,		Kingston.	Roane, "
Robert Washam,		Warick ⋈ R'ds,	Union, "
Joseph Watt, A. L. Williams,		Stapleton,	Morgan, "
Wm. Young,		Wolf Creek,	Scott, "
Toung,		Horse Shoe B'd	Scott, "

V. BISHOPS OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

NAME.	ENTERED THE MINISTRY.	Date of Entering Ministry.	Elect'd Bishop.	PRESENT RESID'CE,
Thomas Asbury Morris, Edmund Storer James, Levi Scott. Matthew Simpson, Edward Raymond Ames, Thomas Boroman, William L. Harris, Randolph S. Foster, Isaac W. Wiley, Stephen M. Merrill, Edward G. Andrews, Gilbert Haven, Jesse T. Peck,	Obio Conference, Philadelphia Conference, Philadelphia Conference, Pittsburgh Conference, Illinois Conference, Baltimore Conference, Ohio Conference, Oneida Conference, New England Conference, Oneida Conference,	1830 1826 1833 1830 1839 1836 1837 1849 1846 1848	1844 1852 1852	,

VI. APPOINTMENTS.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

J. J. MANKER, P. E.

Knoxville, First Church, J. B. Ford.

Knoxville, Second Church, J. F. Spence.

Knox Circuit, J. B. Little, Campbell Station, J. N. Stamper, Fincastle, to be supplied by W. M. Haskell.

Clinton, W. Kinsland. Dandridge and New Market, R.

Pierce.
Thorn Grove, J. B. Seaton,
Little River, R. O. Ayres,
Sevierville, J. D. Lawson,
New River, to be supplied.
J. N. S. Huffaker, supernumerary and member of Thorn
Grove Quarterly Conference.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

R. W. PATTY, P. E.

Morristown, J. H. Jennings. Newport, W. Harkins. Mossy Creek, A. G. Watkins. Parrottsville, J. P. Milburn. Rogersville, J. L. Cardwell. Sneedville, to be supplied by W. Crutchfield.

Rutledge, W. H. Harrison. Tazewell, E. B. Clark. Speedwell, A. J. Greer.

JONESBORO' DISTRICT.

J. L. MANN, P. E.

Jonesboro', E. M. Lockwood.
Jonesboro' Circuit, J.M. Durham
Taylorsville, to be supplied.
Elizabethton, J. A. Ruble.
Elizabethton Circuit, A. J. Bruner.
Fall Branch, J. B. Brooks,
Kingsport, T. S. Walker.
Rheatown, M. Seaton,
Greeneville, R. D. Black.
Greeneville Circuit, J.R. Hughes

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

St. Clair, S. W. Hyden.

J. F. WOODFIN, P. E.

Asheville, supplied by J. Jones. Bakersville, E. R. Israel. Catawba, J. F. Perry. Trannsylvania, B. F. Wells. Marshall, F. M. Fanning. Pigeon River, R. M. Witt. Webster, L. Bogart. Fort Hambree, W. D. Smith.

ATHENS DISTRICT.

W. C. DAILY, P. E.

Athens Strtion, J. S. Petty. Athens Circuit, J. A. Hyden. Blue Spring, Spencer Henry. Loudon, T. R. West.

Madisonville, A. B. Wright. Kingston and Rockwood, G. W. Coleman. Kingston Circuit, P. H. Reed. Maryville, T. H. Russell. Wartburg, H. Pile. Winter's Gap, J. Forrester. Crossville, A. C. Peters. Jamestown, S. Greer, Riceville, W. R. Long.
J. A. Dean, President East Tennessee Wesleyan University,

and member of Athens Quarterly Conference.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

J. W. MANN, P. E.

Chattanooga, N. G. Taylor, G. A. Gowin. Harrison, E. Still. Hamilton, H. H. Burke. Washington, W. Ballenger. Pikeville, R. H. Guthrie. Tracy City and Spencer, M. H. B. Burkett. Jasper, George Julian. Cleveland, J. H. McGriff. Cleveland Circuit, J. N. Moore. Chatata, W. H. Rogers. Ducktown, W. C. Graves. N. E. Cobleigh, editor of the Methodist Advocate and member of the Chattanooga Quarterly Conference.

TENNESSEE RIVER DISTRICT

J. C. TATE, P. E.

Chattanooga, A. P. Melton. South Chattanooga, C. Shaw. Chattanooga Circuit, J. Mann. Sequatchie, H. Griffith. Harrison, A. Lewis. Cleveland Circuit, W. Bluford, Knoxville, R. Clarke. Concord, J. Yarnell. Coal Creek, S. Dean.

HOLSTON DISTRICT.

C. K. MAYES, P. E.

Holston, J. Lee. Russelville, to be supplied. Jefferson, S. Patterson. Claiborne, L. Neal. Hawkins, C. K. Mayes. Caney Branch, M. Bell. J. M. Hall transferred to Georgia Conference. F. S. Wolfe transferred to North Ohio Conference. M. H. Nichols transferred to St. Louis Conference. J. T. Woodhead transferred to

Wisconsin Conference.

III. Disciplinary Questions.

- Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission? James A. Dean, M. A., transferred from New York East Conference.
 - 2. Who are admitted on trial?

Andrew J. Bruner, James F. Perry, A. C. Peters, N. G. Taylor.

- Who remain on trial?
- J. B. Brooks, Marion Bell, Robert Clark, Wanser P. Fair, W. H. Harrison, Jacob Mann, Lewis Neil, R. Pierce, J. B. Seaton, Clem. Shaw, James Yarnell.
 - Who are admitted into full connection?
- D. Battin, E. B. Clark, W. Harkins, A. P. Milton, A. G. Wat-
 - Who are the Deacons of the First Class?
- E. B. Clark, C. K. Mayes, Samuel Patterson, A. G. Watkins, R. M. Witt, James Yarnell.

6. Who are the Deacons of the Second Class?

Thomas W. Brown, E. M. Lockwood.

- 7. Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year? None.
- 8. Who are the supernumerary Preachers?
- J. N. Baker, D. Batten, T. W. Brown, D. Carter, P. L. Chambers, A. F. English, J. B. Fitzgerald, J. N. S. Huffaker, D. B. Lawton, A. F. Shannon, J. G. Trüll.
 - 9. Who are the superannuated Preachers?

Isaac Fortner, John Leach, Joseph Milburn, Thomas H. Pearne.

10. Was the character of each Preacher examined?

Yes.

11. Have any located ?

Jeremiah Gudger, J. W. Peace.

12. Have any withdrawn?

John Alley, John Mahoney.

- 13. Have any been transferred, and to what Conference ?
- J. M. Hall, to Georgia Conference; M. H. Nichols, to St. Louis Conference; F. S. Wolfe, to North Ohio Conference; J. T. Woodhead, to Wisconsin Conference.
 - 14. Have any been expelled?

None.

15. Have any died?

W. H. H. Duggin.

16. What is the Statistical Report?

See Statistics.

- 17. What are the claims upon the Conference funds ?
- 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied ?

See Steward's Report.

19. Have any Local Preachers been ordained?

Absalom Bunn, John G. Butram, H. H. Janes, Presley E. Johnson, M. A. Rule, and James Yarnell, Deacons, and John Duggan, Elder.

- 20. Are any of our Literary or Theological Institutions under the control or patronage of this Conference, and what is their condition? See Report on Education.
 - 21. Where are the Preachers stationed?

See Appointments.

22. Where shall the next Conference be held?

Athens, Tennessee.

IV. Daily Proceedings.

FIRST DAY.—WEDNESDAY, October 2nd, 1872.

The Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Eighth Annual Session, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Cleveland, Tennessee, at 9 o'clock, A. M., Wednesday, October 2nd, 1872.

The introductory religious exercises were conducted by the President, Rev. Bishop S. M. Merrill, D. D., who read the 60th chapter of Isaiah, and the 4th chapter of 2nd Corinthians, and announced the 229th hymn, after the singing of which the Conference joined in prayer, the Bishop leading.

The Roll was then called, thirty-nine members answering to their names.

J. J. Manker was re-elected Secretary, and James A. Ruble, J. S. Petty and R. D. Black., assistants.

Nine o'clock, A. M., was agreed upon as the hour of opening and twelve M. of closing the daily sessions.

By vote it was agreed that a Conference Prayer Meeting be held each day, from $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, A.M. to the hour of opening Conference.

The Presiding Elders having been appointed by the last session a Committee to nominate the usual Standing Committees, were granted leave to retire for the purpose of making their nominations.

By motion duly carried, the further side of the third pair of windows was fixed upon as the bar of Conference.

Rev. W. C. Graves was appointed Conference Reporter; R. D. Black being recognized as reporter for the Knoxville Chronicle. The Bishop announced that the Conference is entitled to draw on the Chartered Fund for \$35.00; whereupon a draft for that amount was ordered.

The Nominating Committee returned and presented their report which was adopted. See Standing Committees.

A circular from the Book Agents, relating to the salaries of the Bishops, was read and referred to the Presiding Elders.

A paper relating to the sanctity of the Sabbath having been presented, was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of W. H. Rogers, Spencer Henry, and J. B. Little. Likewise one relating to the Sunday School Union and Tract cause, which having been read, was referred to its appropriate committee.

The Eighth Question was taken up, under which the name of M.

H. B. Burkett was called, his character passed and his relation changed from supernumerary to effective.

J. W. Peace was granted a location at his own request, his char-

acter having been passed.

John Mahoney, having united with the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was recognized as having withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

D. B. Lawton, J. B. Fitzgerald, and J. N. S. Huffaker were, at their own request, continued in the supernumerary relation, their character having been first approved.

The Ninth Question was then taken up.

The name of W. H. H. Duggin having been called, it was announced to the Conference that he had been called from his labors to his reward.

When the name of John Alley was called, he was reported as having withdrawn from the Church.

Isaac Fortner and John Leach, their character having passed, and Thomas H. Pearne, he having been approvingly represented by letter from Rev. Samuel Smyth, Superintendent of the Kingston Circuit, Wesleyan connection, Kingston, Ja., were severally continued in the superannuated relation.

Rev. Wm. M. Haskell, of the Western New York Conference, be-

ing present, was introduced to the Conference.

By request of W. C. Graves, and by consent of the Conference, Spencer Henry was made Chairman of the Committee on Temperance.

The Tenth Question having been taken up, J. F. Spence, having ing been called and his character approved, gave an encouraging account of the work in his district.

J. B. Ford, J. N. Stamper, J. B. Little, R. O. Ayres, J. H. Mc-Griff and S. W. Hyden, were severally called and their character passed, each reporting his missionary collection.

After various announcements, the Conference adjourned, Rev. W. C. Daily pronouncing the benediction.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY, October 3rd, 1872.

Conference met at the appointed hour, and engaged in devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. W. H. Rogers.

The Minutes of last session were read and, after some slight correction, approved.

It being stated that B. F. Wells will not be in attendance during the session, on motion F. M. Fanning was appointed a member of the Committee on Bible Society in his stead.

Brother R. Souders of the Book Concern at Atlanta was introduced to the Conference.

The Bishop announced the transfer to the Holston Conference of Rev. James A. Dean, from the New York East Conference.

The Annual Exhibit of the Book Concern was read and placed on file. Also a circular from the Book Agents, calling attention to the action of the General Conference relating to indebtedness of ministers and others to the Book Concern.

Rev. W. W. Bays, of the M. E. Church, South, and Rev. James A. Wallace, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The Sixth Question was taken up, under which E. M. Lockwood was called, reported his missionary collection, was approvingly represented by the Examining Committee and Presiding Elder, and passed to the second class of Deacons.

Wm. Bluford being called, reported his missionary collection, but not having passed his examinations, his case was passed over for the present.

Samuel Patterson not being present, was continued in first class of Deacons, his character having passed and his missionary collection having been reported by Brother Graves.

The Seventh Question was taken up.

Spencer Henry was called, favorably represented by his Presiding Elder and the Examining Committee, and being already an Elder, was passed to the list of effective Elders.

R. M. Witt not being present to pass his examinations, was continued a Deacon of the first class.

Thos. W. Brown reported his missionary collection, was represented by the Presiding Elder and Examining Committee, and passed to the second class of Deacons.

George Julian was passed to the list of effective Elders, his character having been approved and his missionary collection reported.

J. H. Jennings being called, his character was approved, but not having been examined, his relation was not fixed.

Jeremiah Gudger was at his own request granted a location, his character having been approved.

On motion, the resolution of last year, relating to the time of attending to examination of classes, was re-affirmed for the government of the present session.

Henry Pyle and A. B. Wright were respectively called, represented by Examining Committee and Presiding Elder, and, having reported their missionary collection, were passed to the list of effective Elders.

C. K. Mays not being present, was represented by W. C. Graves, his character passed and relation continued.

P. L. Chambers reported his missionary collection and his character was passed, but not having been examined his relation was passed over.

Wm. H. Rogers and P. H. Reed were appointed a Special Committee on examination of the class of the second year.

John Forrester was appointed Treasurer pro tem. of the Sunday School and Tract Societies.

The Eighth Question was resumed, under which A. F. English, J. D. Lawson, J. G. Trull, and J. M. Hall were severally approved and their relation continued.

The Tenth Question being resumed, R. W. Patty was called and gave a minute account of his district, his character having been approved.

- J. H. Jennings, Daniel Carter, J. L. Cardwell, John Forrester, A. J. Greer, and W. C. Graves, were severally called and their character passed.
- W. C. Daily's name being called, and his character having passed he gave a representation of his district.
- J. L. Mann, J. P. Milburn, J. M. Durham, T. S. Walker and Moses Seaton were severally called and their character approved.

Joseph Milburn was granted a superannuated relation.

J. A. Ruble, J. R. Hughes and Wm. Kinsland were respectively approved.

Spencer Henry was appointed a Committee to collect and pay to the Book Agents money collected for the support of the Bishops.

By his own request, J. J. Manker was relieved from the Committee on Church Extension, and G. W. Coleman appointed in his stead.

J. B. Ford was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, in place of R. Pierce, absent.

After announcements, Conference adjourned by expiration of time, Rev. R. W. Patty pronouncing the benediction.

THIRD DAY.—FRIDAY, October 4th, 1872.

Conference met at the usual hour, Rev. John Forrester conducting the religious exercises.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Tenth Question being resumed, J. F. Woodfin was called, and gave a full and interesting account of the work in the Asheville District.

W. R. Long, B. F. Wills, F. M. Fanning and L. Bogart were respectively called, represented by the Presiding Elder, and their character approved.

The candidates for full membership were called forward, and after answering the required disciplinary questions, were addressed in a very instructive and impressive manner by the Bishop.

W. H. Harrison, not being present, but being favorably represented by his Presiding Elder, was continued on trial.

D. Battin and A. P. Melton, having passed the required examinations, and approved in reference to character, were admitted into full membership.

J. B. Brooks, James Yarnell, Robert Clark, Marion Bell, Wanser P. Fair, and Lewis Neil, not having passed through the required course of study, but being well represented were severally continued on trial.

A Catalogue of the East Tennessee Wesleyan University, and a series of resolutions of the Knoxville Education Convention, were presented and referred to the Committee on Education.

By his own request, R. D. Black was relieved from the Committee on Post Offices, and J. N. Baker appointed in his stead.

After the usual announcements, Conference adjourned by expiration of time, the benediction being pronounced by Prof. Dean.

FOURTH DAY.—SATURDAY, October 5th, 1872,

The Conference convened according to appointment; the opening exercises were conducted by Rev. F. M. Fanning.

The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Tenth Question was resumed, when the name of J. W. Mann was called, and he gave a representation of his district.

J. S. Petty, T. H. Russell, P. H. Reed, H. H. Burke, S. Greer, J. N. Baker, T. W. Brown, G. W. Coleman, N. E. Cobleigh, J. J. Manker and W. H. Rogers, were severally called and their character approved.

J. A. Hyden, having been approved, gave an encouraging representation of the work in the Chattanooga District.

F. S. Wolfe, G. A. Gowin, J. N. Moore, J. T. Woodhead, W. B. Ballenger, E. Still, W. D. Smith, R. H. Guthrie, and R. D. Black, were severally called and approved.

A. F. Shannon, his character having been approved, was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

J. C. Tate, having been approved, represented his district.

H. Huston's name being called, and it having been stated that some rumors damaging to the reputation of Brother Huston were in circulation, a Committee of three, consisting of G. A. Gowin, J. B. Fitzgerald and Robert Clark, was appointed to make suitable inquiry and investigation in relation to his case.

The name of C. K. Mays being called, his character was approved The Nineteenth Question being taken up, and the following persons duly represented by Presiding Elders and Examining Committee, were elected to Local Deacons orders, viz:

M. A. Rule, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Campbell Station Circuit, Knoxville District.

H. H. Janes, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Greeneville Circuit.

And Absalom Bunn, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Kingsport Circuit, Jonesboro' District.

John G. Butram, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Philadelphia Circuit, Athens District. Presley E. Johnson, recommended by the District Conference of Chattanooga District.

And John Duggin, being duly recommended by the District Conference of Chattanooga District, and by the Presiding Elder and the Committee of Examination, was elected to Local Elder's orders.

A resolution of the Quarterly Conference of Newport Circuit, Morristown District, requesting this Conference to apply to the Holston Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South, for the restoration of the parchments of Hugh Broderick, a Local Deacon in good standing in the M. E. Church, was presented and referred to a Committee of Three, consisting of W. H. Rogers, W. C. Daily, and R. W. Patty.

Stephen Armstrong was discontinued at his own request.

E. B. Clark and A. G. Watkins, having passed the required examinations, and being duly recommended, were admitted into full connection and elected to Deacon's orders.

Wesley Harkins was admitted into full connection, having passed examination in the required course of study.

Thos. R. Clark, at his own request, was discontinued.

It being stated by Rev. J. Albert Hyden that the parchments of Rev. Isham Julian had been accidentally destroyed by fire, the Secretary was instructed to certify to the fact that he, Brother Julian, is recognized as a Local Elder in the M. E. Church, in the Holston Conference.

Dr. Cobleigh presented a series of resolutions relating to the adjustment of differences between members of the M. E. Church in the Holston Conference, and members of the M. E. Church, South, in relation to Church Property, which were unanimously adopted.

The Twenty-Second Question was taken up, and Athens appointed as the place of holding the next session of Conference.

J. N. Baker, D. Battin, T. W. Brown and P. L. Chambers were at their own request, granted a supernumerary relation.

J. D. Lawson was made effective.

The memorial services in honor of Rev. W. A. Marshall and Rev. W. H. H. Duggin, were appointed for 2 o'clock, P. M.

Announcements having been made, Conference adjourned to meet at the conclusion of memorial services this afternoon.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. B. Ford.

AFTERNOON SESSION.—SATURDAY, October 5th, 1872.

The Conference met pursuant to adjournment, and listened to the reading of the minutes of the morning session, which were approved.

The Committee on Memoirs, through their chairman, presented a memoir of Rev. W. H. H. Duggin, which, after some feeling remarks by Brothers Mann and Rogers, was adopted. See Report marked L.

The Report of the Committee on Periodicals having been read, elicited some timely and earnest words from Dr. Cobleigh and Bishop Merrill, and was adopted.

The Committee on Church Extension presented their Report,

which was adopted. See Report marked C.

The Committee on Education presented Reports relating severally to One Central University for the South, to the Conference Education Society, to Common Schools, and to the East Tennessee Wesleyan University, all of which were adopted. See Report marked K.

The Report of the Committee on Observance of the Sabbath was

read and adopted. See Report marked I.

Report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, of the Committee on Bible Cause, and of the Committee on Temperance, were severally read and adopted. See Reports marked severally H., E., and M.

Brothers A. B. Wright and S. Greer were granted leave of absence for remainder of the Session.

James Yarnell, having been favorably represented by the Examining Committee and Presiding Elder, was elected to Deacon's orders.

Rev. J. R. Hughes, M. Seaton, J. B. Little and J. L. Cardwell, were granted leave of absence.

After some announcements, Conference adjourned.

FIFTH DAY.—Monday, October 7th, 1872.

The Conference was opened with reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, conducted by Rev. L. Bogart.

The Minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Sunday School and Tract Societies were read and adopted. See Report marked ${\bf F}$.

T. R. West was made effective.

Committee in case of H. Huston made a Report, which was adopted. See Report marked P.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society was read

and approved. See Report marked A.

The Second Question was called, and James F. Perry, recommended by the Quarterly Conference of Riceville Circuit, A. C. Peters, by Wartburg Circuit, and N. G. Taylor, by Athens Station, all of Athens District, and Andrew J. Bruner, recommended by Quarterly Conference of Rheatown Circuit, Jonesboro' District were admitted on trial.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society was read and adopted. See Report marked D.

The Report of the Committee in case of Brother Broderick was read and adopted. See Report marked Q.

The following Committee on One Central University was ap-

pointed, viz: J. F. Spence, R. H. Guthrie, H. Presnell, N. E. Cobleigh and P. C. Wilson.

The Report of the Committee to collect and pay over to Hitch-cock & Walden the money collected for expenses of delegates to General Conference, was read and adopted. See Report marked R.

A Resolution, signed by F. M. Fanning and J. F. Woodfin, relating to the *Methodist Advocate* was read and adopted.

The resolutions of last year, relating to examinations, Reports, and Local Preachers coming to Conference for ordination were reaffirmed.

The election of seven Traveling Elders, to be Triers of Appeals, being in order, it was ordered that the vote be by ballot and plurality sufficient to elect.

Dr. Gowin, Brothers Coleman and Ayres were appointed tellers. The Bishop announced the Committee on Church Property, as follows: Wm. Rule, J. W. Ramsey, N. G. Taylor, J. Albert Hyden and J. W. Mann.

Report of Stewards was read and adopted.

The amount for Mrs. Duggin was paid to Rev. J. W. Mann, that for Brother Fortner to Rev. W. C. Daily, that for Mrs. Marshall to Brother Woodfin.

Rev. W. C. Daily, W. H. Rogers and J. Albert Hyden were reelected Conference Trustees.

The Conference was entertained, instructed and much encouraged by Rev. Dr. Dashiel, in his address on the interests of the Missionary Society.

The Tellers in election of Triers of Appeals announced as follows: F. M. Fanning, J. A. Hyden, R. W. Patty, J. F. Spence, W. C. Graves, N. E. Cobleigh, W. C. Daily.

Agreed that when we adjourn it be to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion the time of the session was extended.

The Missionary Committee read their Report of Appropriations, which was adopted. See Report marked B.

The Minutes were read and approved.

AFTERNOON SESSION .- Monday, October 7th, 1872.

The Conference met at 2 o'clock, P. M., according to adjournment. J. B. Ford led in prayer.

The Bishop announced the Committee of Examinations.

The officers of the Missionary Society were elected as follows:

J. W. Mann, President, J. N. Moore, Vice President, J. S. Petty, Secretary, R. W. Patty, Treasurer.

Also, were re-elected the officers of the Tract Society, Bible Society, Freedmen's Aid Society, and Sunday School Union, adding the names of J. J. Manker, J. W. Mann and J. Albert Hyden, as managers of the latter.

The Statistical Report was read.

The Third Question being taken up, J. B. Seaton, R. Pierce, Clem. Shaw and Jacob Mann, were severally passed and continued on trial, not having been present to pass examination.

Several Resolutions of Thanks were read and adopted by rising

vote.

The assessment for support of Bishops was presented by the Committee to which it had been referred, with a resolution instructing the Presiding Elders to make an assessment on the members of the various charges, of three cents per capita.

The Report was adopted.

The Minutes were then read and approved, after which the Conference joined in singing and prayer, led by Dr. Cobleigh.

The Appointments were then read, and Conference adjourned sine die.

S. M. MERRILL, President.

J. J. MANKER, Secretary.

V. Religious and Anniversary Exercises.

In addition to a daily Prayer Meeting, at $5\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, A. M., for the promotion of holiness, and a Conference prayer meeting, at $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, A. M., the following services were had:

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2nd, 1872.

At 3 o'clock, P. M., Rev. J. B. Little preached a plain, earnest discourse on Purity of heart and growth in Grace. Text, Mal. 4: 2.

At $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M., Rev. A. G. Watkins preached to a large congregation, from 1 Cor., vi: 19, 20. The doctrine of Sanctification and devotion to God's work was feelingly impressed by the preacher, and heartily responded to by the congregation.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 1872.

Rev. Wm. M. Haskell, of the Western New York Conference, preached at 3 o'clock, P. M., a strong, earnest discourse, urging again the doctrine of sanctification.

At 7½ o'clock, P. M., the anniversary of the Church Extension Society was held. The exercises were introduced by the President Rev. J. F. Spence, who announced the 100th hymn, after the singing of which Rev. Dr. Taylor led in prayer.

The large audience present was addressed by Rev. J. R. Hughes, Rev. J. W. Mann, and Rev. Bishop Merrill. The very interesting exercises were concluded by taking a collection, which amounted to \$25.65.

The benediction was then pronounced by Bishop Merrill.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 1872.

An able sermon was preached at 3 o'clock, P. M., by Rev. N. G. Taylor, D. D. Text, Ps. exliv: 15.

At $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M., occurred the anniversary of the Missionary Society.

Rev. R. W. Patty opened the exercises and read the Treasurer's Report; after which the President introduced the first speaker, Rev. J. B. Ford, who delivered a short, but pointed, and practical address. The next speaker introduced was Rev. Dr. Dashiell, Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society. His address, full of thought, information and power, chaste and thrilling, will not soon be forgotten by the large andience which he held spell-bound from first to last. That speech will tell.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5th, 1872.

At 2 o'clock, P.M., Rev. F. M. Fanning preached a memorial discourse in honor of Rev.W. A. Marshall, deceased. Text, 1 Jno.v: 4. The anniversary of the Education Society was held at 7½ o'clock, P. M. Rev. J. B. Ford conducted the introductory exercises. Rev. J. S. Petty read the Financial Report. Addresses were then delivered by J. W. Ramsey, Esq., Prof. H. Presnell, and Rev. Dr. Dashiel. At the conclusion of Dr. Dashiell's address, a collection was raised for the Society, amounting to \$100.00.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6th, 1872.

At 10½ o'clock, A. M., Rev. N. G. Taylor, D. D., preached in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and Rev. J. B. Ford in the M. E. Church, South, and at 7½ o'clock, P. M., services were conducted in the same churches by Rev. R. W. Patty and Rev. F. M. Fanning, respectively.

In the M. E. Church, Conference Love Feast was held at $8\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, A. M.

At $10\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, A. M., Bishop Merrill preached from John, xvii: 22. The sermon was characteristic of the preacher—marked by the simplicity, originality and real substantial ability which distinguished the editorial columns of the *Western* during the last quadrennium.

The sermon was followed by the ordination of deacons.

Preceding the ordination to Elder's orders at 3 o'clock, P. M., Rev. R. L. Dashiell, D. D., preached. His addresses on Friday and Saturday evenings were sufficient to call out such crowds to this afternoon appointment that many were unable to obtain entrance, and stood about the windows patiently and anxiously listening during the whole discourse. The text was Eph. vi: 19—an appropriate subject, handled with singular skill and ability, and with manifest and powerful effect.

The evening service was conducted by Rev. J. L. Mann, who

preached from the text, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."

VI. Resolutions of Conference.

I hereby certify that the following Resolutions were adopted by the Holston Conference, at its session held in Cleveland, Tenn., October 2nd, 1872.

J. J. MANKER, Secretary.

BISHOP MERRILL.

Resolved, That we will ever remember with pleasure the first visit of Bishop S. M. Merrill to our Conference, and the kind and impartial manner with which he has presided over our deliberations; and would most respectfully request his return at the next session of our Annual Conference, if consistent with the views of the Episcopal Board.

DR. DASHIELL.

Resolved, That we are highly gratified with the visit of Dr. Dashiell to our Conference; that we have been deeply interested in his addresses—instructed and profited thereby—that we will carry out in all our charges the missionary plan as found in the Discipline, and will endeavor to raise at least \$2,000 missionary money next year.

Resolved, That we hope that Dr. Dashiell will re-visit our Conference at its next session.

METHODIST ADVOCATE,

Resolved, That we feel it important to do all we can at once to renew and increase the subscription to the Methodist Advocate.

CHURCH PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, Certain Church Property questions are still unsettled between members of the M. E. Church and members of the M. E. Church, South, and,

WHEREAS, It is very desirable for the interests and honor of Christianity that all these questions be satisfactorily adjusted as soon as practicable, by the mutual agreement of the brethren concerned, if possible, and not by the courts; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That as a Conference, we earnestly desire that all these unsettled property questions within our bounds, whether in or out of the courts, be adjusted and settled on the principles of Christian equity and charity, as soon as possible.

2. That while we have only an advisory power and influence in the prem-

ises—all the property in dispute being held by local trustees—yet we hereby advise and urge all our members having possession of any such property, to hold themselves in readiness to adjust every case on the ground of equity and charity, as soon as the brethren on the other side are willing to meet them in the same spirit.

3. That Wm. Rule, J. W. Ramsey, Esq., Revs. N. G. Taylor, D. D., J. W. Mann and J. Albert Hyden, be and are hereby appointed as a Board of Commissioners from this Conference to act in conjunction with a similar board from the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, South, should such a board be appointed by that Conference, who shall have full power, so far as this Conference is concerned, to settle and adjust all unsettled cases which may be submitted to them; and as a Conference we agree to abide by any decision in which a majority of the Commissioners hereby appointed by this Conference shall have concurred.

4. That a copy of this Preamble and Resolutions be forwarded by our Secretary to the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, South, at its en-

suing session in Chattanooga.

5. That in case the Board be fully constituted by the appointment of five Commissioners on the part of the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, South, for this purpose, to act with those appointed by this Conference, we hereby advise our people to submit to said Board for final decision any question which they have failed to adjust.

REPORTS TO BE MADE ON FIRST DAY.

Resolved, That the preachers in charge of stations and circuits be and are hereby instructed to prepare their reports in full as required by the Discipline, and hand them to the respective committees on the first day of the next session of the Conference; and that the Presiding Elders are requested to give their personal attention to the matter, urging promptness upon the ministers of their districts in being prepared as above instructed.

NOTICE TO BE GIVEN OF CHARGES.

Resolved, That no member of this Conference shall bring charges against another member, or attempt to arrest his character, without having given to the accused due notice in writing.

PRESIDING ELDERS TO REPORT THE NAMES OF LOCAL PREACHERS.

Resolved, That each Presiding Elder be required to ascertain the names of all Local Preachers within the bounds of his District who expect to attend the session of Conference for ordination, and report the same to the preachers in charge where the Conference is to meet, long enough before the time of meeting for arrangements to be made for their accommodation.

EXAMINATIONS.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Conference that all the examinations should be attended to on the day preceding the opening of Conference, and

that persons failing to attend at the time appointed for examination be continued in the same class for the ensuing year.

THANKS.

TO CITIZENS OF CLEVELAND.

Resolved, That we return our thanks to the citizens of Cleveland for their hospitality in so satisfactorily entertaining the members and friends of this Conference.

TO PRESIDING ELDER AND PASTOR.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due the Presiding Elder of Chattanooga District and the Pastor of Cleveland Station, for their untiring and successful efforts to provide homes for the members.

TO SISTER DENOMINATIONS.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the courtesy of our sister denominatious in throwing open their doors to our Conference for public worship.

TO RAILROADS.

Resolved, That we cherish a grateful appreciation of the kindness of the Railroad officials in granting the members of the Holston Conference half fare on their several roads.

VII. Reports.

A.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

Of the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church, for the year ending October 2nd, 1872.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Knoxville Station, J. B. Ford, \$100 00						
Knox Circuit, E. M. Lockwood, 8 25						
Campbell Station, J. N. Stamper, 5 00						
Fincastle, J. B. Little,						
Jacksboro', J. B. Seaton, 6 00						
Clinton, R. O. Ayres,						
Dandridge and New Market, R. Pierce, 8 00						
Thorn Grove, J. H. McGriff, 20 00						
Little River, S. Henry, 19 50						
Sevierville, S. W. Hyden, 16 00						
\$230 00						
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.						
Morristown Circuit, J. H. Jennings, \$9 00						
Parrottsville, W. H. Harrison, 5 85						
Newport, D. Carter, 5 50						
Mossy Creek, A. G. Watkins, 4 00						
Rogersville, J. L. Cardwell, 2 00						
Sneedville, J. D. Brooks, 100						
Tazewell, E. B. Clarke, 6 00						
Speedwell, A. J. Greer, 1 00						
Rutledge, 7 65						
\$42 00						
						
JONESBORO' DISTRICT.						
Jonesboro' Station, J. L. Mann,						
Jonesboro' Circuit, J. P. Milburn, 5 00						
Taylorsville, D. Batten,						
Elizabethton, J. M. Durham, 20 00						
Fall Branch, T. S. Walker, 10 00						
65 00						

Carried forward,

\$337 00

	Brought forward, \$337 00
Kingsport, J. Malair,	, 5 00
Rheatown, M. Seaton,	30 50
Greeneville Station, J. A. Ruble, .	31 00
Greeneville Station, J. A. Ruble, . Greeneville Circuit, J. R. Hughes, .	120 00
St. Clair, W. Kinsland,	5 00
,	——— \$191 50
ATHENS DIS	TOTATE
Athens Station, N. G. Taylor,	\$25 25
Athens Circuit, J. S. Petty,	
Philadelphia, H. H. Burk,	
Madisonville, T. W. Brown, Kingston and Loudon, G. W. Colem	an 8 50
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Kingston, T. H. Russell, Maryville, P. H. Reed,	15 00
Maryvine, P. H. Keed,	
Wartburg, H. Pile,	4 05
Winter's Gap, S. Greer, . ,	2 20
Crossville, T. R. Clark, Jamestown, A. B. Wright,	9 73
Jamestown, A. B. Wright,	
Riceville, J. N. Baker,	\$90 73
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CHATTANOOGA	DISTRICT.
Chattanooga Station, F. S. Wolf,	\$40 00
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Ducktown I T Woodhead	
Ducktown, J. T. Woodhead, Chatata, G. Julian,	10 00
Harrison, A. F. Shannon,	
Hamilton, W. B. Ballinger,	6 00
Washington, E. Still,	8 00
Jasper, W. D. Smith,	
Pikeville, R. Guthrie,	
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ASHEVILLE I	DISTRICT.
Asheville Circuit, W. R. Long,	\$4 00
Bakersville, J. Jones,	3 00
Catawba, R. M. Witt,	6 00
Henderson and Transylvania, B. F.	Wells, 12 00
Sulphur Springs, F. M. Fanning,	14 25
Pigeon River, L. Bogart,	20 00
Webster, W. Harkins,	2 50
Fort Emory and Murphy, P. L. Cha	ambers, 5 50
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	Carried forward, \$849 63
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TENNESSEE RIVER DISTRICT.

Brought forward, \$849 63
Chattanooga, A. P. Melton, \$12 00
South Chattanooga, J. Mann,
Harrison, 8 45
Sequatchie,
Bledsoe, W. Bluford,
Mt. Harmony, C. Shaw,
Washington,
Calhoun, J. Yarnell, 2 75
Knoxville, H. Houston,
Anderson,
Maryville, Coal Creek, R. Clark,
\$23 20
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HOLSTON DISTRICT.
Holston, C. K. Mays,
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Holston, L. Neil,
Holston, L. Neil,

R. W. PATTY, Treasurer.

В.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

The appropriation to the Holston Conference was \$9,000, which was distributed as follows:

Knoxville District, \$300 00	Jonesboro' District,	. \$300 00
Knoxville, 150 00	Jonesboro',	. 200 00
Knoxville, 2nd charge, 350 00	Jonesboro' Circuit,	. 50 00
Knox, 100 00		
Campbell Station, . 100 00	Elizabethton Circuit,	. 45 00
Clinton, 70 00	Fall Branch, .	. 40 00
Fincastle and Jacksboro', 100 00	Kingsport,	. 80 00
Thorn Grove, 80 00	Greeneville, .	. 135 00
New River, 100 00		
	St. Clair,	. 100 00
Total, . \$1,350 00	·	
	Total,	\$1,150 00

Chattanooga District, \$300 00 Chattanooga, 300 00 Cleveland, 200 00 Cleveland Circuit, 75 00 Chatata, 50 00 Harrison, 50 00 Hamilton, 80 00 Washington, 50 00 Jasper, 50 00 Tracy City, 50 00 Spencer, 50 00
Total, \$1,425 00
Tennessee River District,\$300 60 South Chattanooga, 20 00 Chattanooga Circuit, 20 00 Harrison, 40 00 Sequatchie, 30 00 Cleveland, 20 00 Knoxville, 250 00 Coal Creek, 40 00 Concord, 40 00
Total, \$760 00
Holston District,

C.

REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your Committee on Church Extension beg leave to submit the following:

Convinced as we are of the great mission of this Society, and especially its utility in relation to our Southern work, most gratefully do we in behalf of the Church acknowledge our indebtedness to the Society for its timely assistance in our destitution and want, and further would earnestly recommend that we manifest by our faithful and active efforts in behalf of its interests and success, our

hearty appreciation of its beneficence. We would most respectfully request that the members of the Holston Annual Conference wake up to the importance of this essential department of our aggressive work.

We must have churches to accommodate our people. Therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby pledge ourselves to more determined and untiring efforts in prosecuting to a glorious success this blessed work.

Resolved, That we will adhere strictly to the disciplinary requirements in presenting this subject to our people for their consideration and co-operation.

We would recommend the following Board of Officers and Managers for the ensuing year:

For President, Rev. J. F. SPENCE,

- " Vice President, J. L. DEAN,
- " Secretary, S. P. ANGEL,
- ' Treasurer, Rev. J. J. MANKER,

MANAGERS.—Rev. J. B. Ford, J. B. Hoxsie, Wm. Coffman, Rev. J. S. Petty and Rev. J. A. Hyden.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. W. COLEMAN, J. B. FORD, A. J. GREER.

D.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

Of the Holston Conference for the year ending with the close of the session of the Conference held at Cleveland, Tenn., October 2nd, 1872:

The General Committee of Church Extension requested this Conference to raise for church extension purposes, this year, the sum of \$500 00. At an early period this was distributed for collection, among the several districts and pastoral charges. The following will show amounts asked and received from each:

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

		AMOUNT KED FOR,	AMOUNT RECEIVED.
From Knoxville, J. B. Ford,		\$20 00	\$20 00
Knox Circuit, E. M. Lockwood,		10 00	
Campbell Station, J. N. Stamper	r,	10 00	1 00
Fincastle, J. B. Little,		10 00	
Jacksboro', J. B. Seaton,		. 5 00	

From Clinton, R. O. Ayres, 10 00	5 00
Dandridge, R. Pierce, 10 00	
Thorn Grove, J. H. McGriff, . 5 00	2 00
Little River, S. Henry, 10 00	4 75
Sevierville, S. W. Hyden, 10 00	
	204 55
Total, \$100 00	\$34 75
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.	
Asheville, W. R. Long,	
Bakersville,	
Catawba and McDowell, R. M. Witt,	1 00
Transylvania and Henderson, B. F. Wells,	5 00
Sulphur Springs, F. M. Fanning,	
Pigeon River, L. Bogart,	
Webster, W. Harkins,	
Fort Emory, P. L. Chambers,	
Total,	6 00
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.	
Morristown, J. H. Jennings,	
Newport, D. Carter,	
Mossy Creek, A. G. Watkins,	
Parrottsville, W. H. Harrison,	
Rogersville, J. L. Cardwell,	
Sneedville, J. D. Brooks,	
Rutledge, John Forrester,	
Tazewell, E. B. Clark,	
Speedwell, A. J. Greer,	
JONESBORO' DISTRICT.	•
Jonesboro', J. L. Mann, 7 00	
Jonesboro' Circuit, J. P. Milburn, 10 00	3 00
Greeneville, J. A. Ruble, 12 00	12 00
Greeneville Circuit, 11 00	8 00
Elizabethton, J. M. Durham, . 10 00	5 00
Taylorsville, D. Battin, 9 00	4 00
Kingsport, 7 00	2.50
Fall Branch, T. S. Walker, . 10 00	2 50
Rheatown, M. Seaton, 15 00 St. Clair, 9 00	2 00
St. Clair, 9 00	
Total, . 100 00	36 70
ATHENS DISTRICT.	
Athens District,	14.00
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Athens, N. G. Taylor, 20 00	

Athens Circuit, J. S. Petty,	12 00	1 00
Maryville Circuit, P. H. Reed, .	9 00	
Philadelphia, H. H. Burke, .	9 00	
Kingston, G. W. Coleman,	6 00	1 00
Kingston Circuit, T. H. Russell,	9 00	
Riceville, J. N. Baker,	5 00	10
Madisonville, T. W. Brown, .	5 00	
Winter's Gap, S. Greer,	3 00	1 00
Jamestown, A. B. Wright, .	3 00	3 00
Wartburg, H. Pyle,	3 00	
Crossville, Thos. R. Clark,	3 00	
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Total,	87 00	20 10
		
CHATTANOOGA DISTRI	CT.	
Chattanooga, F. S. Wolfe,	10 00	
	10 00	
	10 00	1 50
,	5 00	1 00
	10 00	2 00
Hamilton, W. B. Ballenger, .	5 00	2 00
Jasper, W. D. Smith,	8 00	1 60
Pikeville, R. H. Guthrie,	5 00	1 00
	5 00	
Harrison, A. F. Shannon,	3 00	
Washington, E. Still,		
Tracy City,	1 00	
Total,	64 00	5 10
TENNESSEE RIVER DISTR	or com	
East Chattanooga,	uci.	6 00
		0 00
PUBLIC COLLECTION		
At Conference Anniversaries,		25 65
At Conference Anniversaries,	_	20 00
Total, .		31 65

Under the action of the General Committee of Church Extension, we have been at liberty to recommend the appropriation of \$2,077 40 within the bounds of the Conference. Applications, in accordance with the forms required by the Discipline, have been made as follows:

		•	DONATI	ON.	LOAN	١.
From	Cleveland, Chattanooga D.	istrict,	\$500	00		
From	Jasper, "	4.	300	00		
From	Whitesburg, Morristown	44	200	00		
From	Jonesboro', Jonesboro'	"	200	00	\$400	00
From	Union Chapel, Knoxville	"	200	00	300	00

Of these, after careful examination, we have recommended the following:

		DONATION.	LOAN.
From Cleveland, Chattanooga I	District,	\$500 00	
From Jasper, "	6.6	300 00	
From Whitesburg, Morristown	4.6	200 00	
From Jonesboro', Jonesboro'	66	100 00	\$300 00
Union Chapel, Knoxville	64	200 00	300 00

The Annual Report of the Parent Society will show the final disposition made of each.

Deeply impressed with the magnitude and importance of this department of our Church work, we earnestly solicit the hearty cooperation of the Conference in bringing its claims before all our people.

Respectfully submitted,

By order of the Board,

JOHN F. SPENCE, President.

S. P. ANGEL, Secretary.

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THE AMERICAN BIBLE CAUSE.

WHEREAS, There is still a great destitution of the Bible in many parts of our work, we feel it more than ever our duty to aid in meeting the demand for the Word of Life. Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we will co-operate with the Agents of the American Bible Society at all times when they come into our field of labor.

- 2. That we will take a collection in our respective charges for the American Bible Society.
- 3. That in order to meet the destitution referred to, we request the reappointment of Rev. W. C. Graves as Assistant Bible Agent.

W. H. ROGERS, Chairman.

A STATEMENT

Of the amount raised by the Circuits and Stations for the American Bible Society:

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Tot	al	,					\$77	50
Campbell Station,	٠		٠					25
Thorn Grove, .				,				25
Clinton Circuit,							4	00
Knoxville Station,							\$73	00

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.
JONESBORO' DISTRICT.
Rheatown,
Greeneville Station, 1 00
Greeneville Circuit, 2 00
Total,
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.
Pigeon River,

ATHENS DISTRICT.
Riceville,
Athens Circuit,
Total, \$1 35
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CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT. •
Ducktown, \$6 00
Cleveland, , 60
Total, \$6 60
Cash in hand, 12 70
F.
REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Pro tem. of the Sunday School Union and Tract Society:
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SUNDAY SCHOOL TRACT
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT. UNION. SOCIETY.
Knoxville Circuit, First Charge, \$5 00
Clinton Circuit, 1 00 \$1 00
Campbell's Station, 25
Thorn Grove,
Total, \$7 75 \$1 50
JONESBORO' DISTRICT.
Greeneville Station, \$1 00 \$1 00
Greeneville Circuit, 2 00 1 50
Rheatown, 1 00 50
Total, \$\square\$4 00, \$\square\$3 00

ATHENS DISTRIC	т.	@4 00	\$1 00
Athens,		. \$1 00	10
Riceville, .		0.00	10
Kingston,	• • •	. 3 00	
Winter's Gap,		30	
	. Total,	. \$4 30	\$1 10
CHATTANOOGA D	ISTRICT.		
Cleveland, .		\$1 0 0	50
Washington, .		. 50	25
Ducktown, .		1 00	\$1 00
	Total,	. \$2 50	\$1 75
TENNESSEE RIVE	ER DISTRICT.		
East Chattanooga,	,	\$4 70	
	Aggregate,	\$23 25	\$7 35
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H.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN'S AID SOCIETY.

Your Committee have with great care considered the work assigned them, and are impressed with the importance of a proper understanding of the object and work of the "Freedmen's Aid Society."

The meager reports from the various stations and circuits of the Conference indicate to us that many of the preachers either do not know what is the object of the Society, or are indifferent to its claims. We, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That each preacher be requested to read with care the report adopted by the last General Conference incorporating the Freedmen's Aid Society as one of the regularly organized Societies of the church, demanding the same attention from the pastor as the Church Extension, Missionary, and Tract Societies.

- 2. That we will take a collection in all of our congregations for the Society.
- 3. That we will welcome to our pulpits the Corresponding Secretary or any of the Agents appointed to look after the interests of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. FORD, Chairman.

T.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

We carefully submit the following:

WHEREAS. The proper observance of the Sabbath lies at the foundation and is the basis of all civil and religious institutions; and,

WHEREAS, There are in our widely extended, and still more widely extending country, millions of Europeans, and the number is yearly increasing; and,

WHEREAS, This foreign population are for the most part infidels or Roman Catholics, and are giving all of their influence to bear against the proper observance of the Christian Sabbath; and,

WHEREAS, The Railroad and Steamboat companies, by the running of their trains and boats on the Sabbath, withhold from their employees the benefits derived from the proper observance of the Sabbath; therefore.

Resolved, 1. That we will do all we can to influence the people of our charges to strictly observe the Sabbath, by refraining from all secular business or social visiting and Sabbath traveling.

2. That we will in all of our congregations preach one sermon the ensuing year upon the proper observance of the Christian Sabbath.

3. That in all of our Sabbath Schools we will try to impress upon the youthful mind the great evil of Sabbath breaking.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROGERS, Chairman.

J.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BOOKS & PERIODICALS.

I. There have been no accounts referred to the Committee by the Agents of the Book Concern.

II. On the subject of Periodicals your Committee Report as follows:

WHEREAS, Our Periodical Literature has done incalculable good in the promotion of Christianity; and,

WHEREAS, We are laboring to establish Methodism upon a firm basis within the bounds of Holston Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That we are more than ever impressed with the importance of circulating our Periodical Literature.

Resolved, That we greatly rejoice in the enlargement of the Methodist Advocate located at Atlanta, Ga., and that we heartily endorse it under its present editorial management.

Resolved, That as ministers we will employ our best efforts to place the Methodist Advocate in every family connected with our congregations within the bounds of our Conference.

Resolved, That we will work diligently in circulating the Ladies' Repository, Golden Hours, and Quarterly Review.

J. A. RUBLE, Chairman.

K.

EDUCATION REPORT.

Your Committee on Education have attended to their duty, and submit the following

REPORT ON ONE CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

The Resolutions of the Knoxville Educational Convention which were referred to this Committee, propose the establishment of One Central University for the M. E. Church in the Southern Conference—and schools of lower grade in each Annual Conference, to be tributary to this Central University; Now,

WHEREAS, This plan coincides with the recommendations of the Education Committee of our last General Conference, as well as with the judgment of our best educators throughout the country; Therefore.

Resolved, 1. That the wisdom of this plan commends itself to the judgment of this Conference.

2. That a Committee of Five, consisting of Rev. J. F. Spence, Rev. R. H. Guthrie, Prof. H. Presnell, Rev. N. E. Cobleigh, D. D., and Prof. P. C. Wilson, be and hereby are appointed to act with an equal number to be appointed by each of such of the adjacent Annual Conferences as may be willing to act in accordance with the plan of the resolutions touching this subject passed by the Knoxville Education Convention, herewith submitted, viz:

WHEREAS, It is generally conceded that the energies of the church are wasted, her money squandered, and her educational work imperfectly performed by the attempt to establish many institutions of the highest grade; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That this convention believes it possible now to systematize our entire educational work in the South, and, avoiding many of the errors of the past, place our schools in condition to yield the highest results for the expense, labor and talent employed.

2. That for purposes of higher education it is our judgment that one college or university can be made to meet our necessities, and will sufficiently tax our means of support, and that we should therefore, for the present at least, concentrate our efforts upon one.

3. That for the purpose of securing this, we recommend that each Annual Conference appoint a Committee of Three, and that these committees, in conjunction with a committee of three to be appointed by this convention, be a joint committee to either agree upon an institution already founded, or locate, name and procure a charter for a new one. When three or more conferences shall have appointed committees in accordance with this resolution, the chairman of this convention's committee shall call a meeting of all the committees, which meeting shall choose its own officers.

CONFERENCE EDUCATION SOCIETY.

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the officers of the Educational Society of this Conference, we recommend that said Society be made auxiliary to the Education Society of the M. E. Church, and that its constitution be so changed as to conform to the recommendations and requirements of the parent Society.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Resolved, 1 That this Conference most heartily favors the education of all the children and youth of the country, of whatever race, and firmly believes free common school instruction to be the safeguard of our liberty, and the handmaid of our religion.

2. That we will oppose with all our power the attempts of Romanists and infidels to exclude the Holy Scriptures from the common schools.

EAST TENNESSEE WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

This Institution is still pursuing with success its career of usefulness. The former thorough scholarship and excellent deportment are still maintained.

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Provision will be made for furnishing free tuition to all students needing aid, who are preparing for the ministry of our church; and it is earnestly hoped that young men who feel called of God to that work will be directed to this Institution, and that the Conference will discourage them from entering its ranks with meager literary qualifications.

In common with all other schools of the same grade, our college fails to meet its current expenses by the receipts from tuition. Its debt also, though considerably reduced by the payment of money obtained by its agent, Rev. R. D. Black, still amounts to about \$2,000, which ought to be paid speedily.

We would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we will take pains to disseminate information regarding the University, and to secure for it as many students as possible.

Resolved, That we will endeavor, either by public collections or in other ways, to obtain funds to meet its current expenses, and to liquidate its debts, and to make necessary repairs on the building.

We recommend the following persons as Trustees for three years, they having been nominated by the Board of Trustees, viz: Rev. N. E. Cobleigh, D. D., L.L.D., Rev. John F. Spence, Hon. Milton L. Phillips, Major James H. Hornsby, Meredith A. Helm, Esq., Jacob S. Matthews.

In conclusion we recommend as a Board of Visitors the following Brethren, Revs. J. B. Ford, R. Pierce, J. L. Mann, F. M. Fanning, N. G. Taylor, J. J. Manker, A. G. Watkins, J. S. Petty, and, also, Prof. W. O. Atwater, Prof. P. C. Wilson, M. M. Callen and Wm. Rule, Esq.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

IN MEMORIAM.

W. H. H. DUGGAN was born in Sevier courty, Tenn., July 3rd, 1815. He professed religion at Pine Grove, Blount county, Tenn.. October 9th, 1841. He was united in marriage with Miss Matilda Jane Brown, in Nov. 1837. He joined the M. E. Church, and was licensed to preach in 1843, and was admitted into the traveling connection in 1845, and received Deacon's orders in 1848, and Elder's orders in 1854. In 1862, he was driven, by the force of circumstances, to locate; but in 1865 he was re-admitted into the traveling connection; not to work as an effective laborer in the itinerancy, as he had done before, but to abide his time as a veteran soldier, worn out, and waiting the call of the Master to enter the world of reward. On the 11th day of August, 1872, he fell asleep in Jesus, and doubtless has gone where the weary are at rest, and the wicked cease from troubling.

W. C. GRAVES, Chairman,

M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We have nothing new to offer on this all-important subject. The facts are presented to us by unquestioned authority, that there are consumed annually in the United States, eleven million barrels of distilled spirits, not including, as we understand it, other intoxicating drinks of a milder character. This is about an average of one barrel to each family. From the same source we learn that no less than sixty thousand of our population find, aunually, drunkards graves. Should not these fact stimulate every lover of our Lord Jesus Christ to action on this subject. The great difficulty in the way is, that the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits is legalized by legislative enactment, and nearly every city, town, and railroad station is cursed with these drinking saloons. Is there no remedy against this most fearful evil? The remedy, we believe, is with the people. And who has more direct access to the people than the minister of the gospel? We would recommend that each preacher bring the subject before all of his congregations, recommend it in private circles, urge it in families, and impress it especially upon children.

We will not discuss the moral principle involved in the use of Tobacco. We leave that to be settled between those who use it and their God. But it is our deliberate conviction that no person who uses tobacco in the ordinary way is fit to give words of encouragement to the sick and dying, nor to approach very near to a person groaning under a burden of sin to offer them the sweet promises of the Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,

SPENCER HENRY.

N. STEWARD'S REPORT.

CHARGE.	PREACHER'S NAME.	CLAIM.	RECEIPT.	DEFICIT.	5TH'.
Knoxville District	J. F. Spence, P. E. J. B. Ford,	\$1,200 00	\$727 00	\$473 00	
Knoxville Station	J. B. Ford,			180 00	
Campbell Station	E. M. Lockwood,	500 00 595 00	$\begin{array}{c} 370\ 00 \\ 422\ 00 \end{array}$	175 00	\$2,50
Fincastle,	J. B. Little, J. B Seaton, R. O Ayres,	300 00	226 00	84 00	3 - 00
Jacksboro',	J. B Seaton,	245 00	197 00	48 00	5 00
Clinton,	R. O Ayres,	350 00	200 00	150 00	0 00
Dandr'ge&N. Mkt Thorn Grove,	R. Pierce,	600 00	336 00	264 00	松 图 3
Little River,	J. McGriff,	400 00	165 00	255 00	10
Sevierville,	S. Henry, S. W. Hyden,	500 00 460 00	227 00 202 00	273 00 258 00	1 00
		\$6,450 CO	\$4,362 00	\$2,088 00	\$15 60
Jonesboro' Dist.	W. C. Daily, P.E. J. L. Mann, J. P. Milburn,	\$700 00	\$700 00		
Jonesboro' Station	J. L. Mann,	500 00	500 00	#105 00	do *0
Taviorsville	ID Rattin	350 00 400 00	213 00 240 00	\$137 00	\$3,50
Elizabethton,	J. M. Durham.	333 00	240 00 333 00	160 00	$\frac{2}{1} \frac{00}{00}$
Fall Branch,	J. M. Durham, T. S. Walker, J. Malair, M. Seaton,	600 00	306 00	294 00	4 75
Kingsport,	J. Malair,	200 00	150 00	50 00	2 ,0
Rheatown,	M. Seaton,	535 00	390 00	$145\ 00$	
Greeneville Stat'n Greeneville Circ't	J. A. Ruble,	575 00	575 00	110.00	1 00
St. Clair,	W. Kinsland,	4º5 00 350 00	375 00 200 00	110 00 15.) 00	$\begin{array}{cc} 15 & 00 \\ 5 & 00 \end{array}$
		\$5,028 00	\$3,982 00	\$1,046 00	\$32.25
Asheville District	J.F. Woodfin P.E.	\$800 00	\$489 00		*
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Chattanooga St'n,	J. A. Hyden, P.E. F. S. Wolf,	\$1,000 00	\$588 00	\$412 00	
Cleveland Station	J. J. Manker,	300 00	*105 00	120 00	
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Hamilton,	A. F. Shannon, W. B. Ballinger, E. Still	300 00	100 00	200 00	1 00
Washington,	E. Still	130 00	135 00	200 00	1 50
Jasper, Pikeville,	W. D. Smith, R. H. Guthrie,	400 00	171 00	$229\ 00$	
Tracy City,	J. Duggan,	360 00 200 00	250 00 150 00	110 00 50 00	out at order
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Mossy Creek, Parrotsville,	David Carter, A. G. Watkins, H. H. Harrison,	150 00	100 00	50 00	1 10 10 10
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CHARGE.	PREACHER'S NAME.	CLAIM.	RECEIPT.	DEFICIT.	COL'1
Sneedville, Rutledge,	J. D. Brooks, Wm. Crutchfield.	\$200 00 250 00	\$150 00 137 00	\$50 00 113 00	
Tazewell, Speedwell,	E. B. Clark, A. J. Greer,	425 00	425 00	165 00	
		\$3,570 00	\$2,140 00	\$1,005 00	
Athens District, Athens Station,	J. W. Mann, P. E. N. G. Taylor,	\$850 00	\$580 00	\$270 00	
Athens Circuit,	J. S. Petty,	600 60	376 00	224 00	
Philadelphia,	H. H. Burke,	600 00		340 00	
Madisonville,	T. W. Brown,	400 00		225 00	
Kingston & Lou'n Kingston Circuit,	G. W. Coleman, T. H. Russell,	500 00	237 00	263 00	1 00
Maryville,	P. H. Reed,	300 00	275 00	25 00	2 00
Wartburg,	H. Pyle,	300 00	140 00	160 00	
Winter's Gap,	S. Greer,	300 00	141 00	159 00	1 00
Crossville,	T R. Clark,	210 00	122 00		
Jamestown,	A. B. Wright.	337 00	100 00	237 00	
Riceville,	J. N. Baker,	300 00	274 00	26 00	2 50
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Holston District.	C. K. Mayes, P.E,	\$225 00	\$205 00	\$20 00	
Holston Circuit,	L. Neil,	100 00	46 00	54 00	
Russelville,	S. Patton,	100 00	87 00	13 00	
Jeffersonville,	M. Bell,	100 00	69 00	31 00	
Clifton, Claiborne.	S. Armstrong,	100 00	51 00	49 00	
Hawkins.	J. Gudger,	100 00	45 00	55 00	
Caney Branch,	W. P. Fair.	100 00	76 00	24 00	
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		\$825 00	\$579 00	\$246 00	
Tenn. River Dist. Chattanooga St'n,	John C. Tate, A. P. Melton,	\$350 00	\$247 00	\$103 00	

^{*} For three quarters of the year.

The Fifth Collection \$79.83; Chartered Fund, \$35.00; Total, \$114.00, was applied as follows:

To Mrs. Duggan, \$38 28½; Mrs. Marshall, 38 28½; Isaac Fortner, \$38 28; Total, \$114 85.

J. B. LITTLE, Chairman.

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AUDITING COMMITTEES REPORT.

The Auditing Committee would respectfully Report that they have carefully examined the receipts for missionary money disbursed by the Presiding Elders, severally, and find that the various amounts have been distributed according to appropriations made by the Missionary Committee. The recipts are all correct and satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. GUTHRIE, Chairman,

P. S.—J. A. Hyden paid E. Still \$10 00 more than was appropriated to Washington Circuit.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE IN THE CASE OF H. H. HUSTON.

The Special Committee to whom was referred the complaints against Bro. H. H. Huston, beg leave to Report that they have examined the same, and find that they are of such a serious nature as to require an investigation; and we, therefore, recommend that he be left without an appointment, and that he be brought before a committee and tried upon the charges preferred againsthim by Bro. J. C. Tate.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS OF HUGH BRODERICK.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution asking this Conference to request the Holston Conference of the M. E. Church South to restore the parchments of Brother Hugh Broderick, beg leave to Report that they have examined the case, and that they find Brother Broderick to be a worthy man, and they accordingly recommend this Conference to make the request so desired, and that W. C. Graves be appointed to present the request to said Conference.

W. H. ROGERS, Chairman.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE MONEY COLLECTED FOR LAST GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES.

The Committee appointed to receive monies to defray the expenses of delegates to last General Conference, beg leave to Report the following:

From Rutledge (Circuit,	Morristown	District,	. \$1	70
From Newport	4.6	44	"	1	50
From Rogersville	e "	4.4	"	. 2	00
	Тс	otal		\$5	20

Paid to Hitchcock & Walden.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. GREER, Chairman,

VIII. Holston Conference Education Society.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1.—Name. This Association shall be called the EDUCATION SOCIETY OF THE HOLSTON CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, auxiliary to the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE 2.—Object. The object of this society shall be, 1st. To assist in the education of indigent young men who are called to the work of the ministry. 2d To aid in the education of the children of traveling ministers, members of this Conference, who cannot otherwise obtain the necessary means of education.

ARTICLE 3.—Members. Any person may be a member of this society by the annual payment of one dollar into the Treasury. The payment of twenty dollars at one time shall constitute the person paying it, or the one for whom it is paid, a life member; the payment of \$100.00 a life patron.

ARTICLE 4.—Officers. The officers shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and six Directors, of whom three shall be laymen. These, together with the life patrons, shall constitute a Board of Managers, and shall be elected annually, and shall hold office one year, and till their successors are duly elected and qualified.

ARTICLE 5.—Section 1—Duty of Officers. The duties of officers shall be similar to those pertaining to like offices in other organizations, so far as it is necessary to carry out the objects of the society.

Section 2.—The Board of Managers shall have power to make their own By-Laws, subject to the approval of the Society, and they shall select and decide who shall be beneficiaries and the extent to which each beneficiary shall be annually assisted.

ARTICLE 6.—Section 1.—Any person or persons making donations to this Society shall have the privilege of designating the person. or persons, for whose benefit said donation shall be applied.

Section 2.—All aid afforded by this Society shall be in the form of Loans; and no person shall receive aid except as provided for in Article 6, Section 1, until the Board shall be satisfactorily assured as to the following facts:

- 1. That he is of suitable age and in sound health.
- 2. That he has good natural powers of intellect and ability to learn.
- 3. That he is a person of undoubted Christian character, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of whose doctrines and discipline he cordially approves.

Every applicant for the Society's aid must also present a certificate from the Quarterly Meeting Conference of the Church of which he is a member that he needs pecuniary assistance, and that in their opinion he possesses gifts and graces that promise usefulness in the ministry, and that there is good reason to believe that he is divinely called to that work. Each applicant who shall have received aid shall annually exhibit testimonials from his instructors, that in intellect, diligence, progress, and general character, he is a proper person to receive aid from this Society. Every person who receives the aid of this Society shall, at least once a year, reassure the Board of Managers that it continues to be his serious purpose to devote his life to the work of the ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE 7.—Annual Meetings. The Society shall hold a meeting annually at the session of the Conference, on the second afternoon of the session, for the election of officers, due notice of the same having been given, and shall hold a public anniversary on some night during the session, for which the Managers shall make the necessary arrangements.

ARTICLE 8.—It shall be the duty of this Society to present an annual report of its statistics to the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE 9.—Amendments and Alterations. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting of the Society, by a majority of two-thirds of the members present, and voting, provided said amendment or alterations shall have been recommended by the Board of Managers at one of their previous regular meetings.

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NUMBERS. Probationers, 2,859. Members, 20,233. Local Preachers, 234. Deaths, 166.

BAPTISMS. Children, 697. Adults, 856.

CHURCH PROPERTY.
Churches, 183.
Probable Value, \$140,575 00.
Parsonages, 8.
Probable Value, \$7,600 00.
Amount raised for Improving Churches and Parsonages, \$3,525.
Present Indebtedness, \$5,652 00.

BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.

For Conference Claimants, \$91 25.

FOR MISSIONS.
Churches, \$742 68.
Sunday-Schools, \$94 00.
Total, \$886 68.
For Church Extension, \$79 10.
For Tract Society, \$12 02.
For Sunday School Union, \$20 25.
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SABBATH SCHOOLS.
Schools, 241.
Officers and Teachers, 1,422.
Scholars, 10,652.
Average Attendance, 4,088.
Library Books, 14,816.
Sunday School Advocares taken, 281.
Journals taken, 58.
Officers & Teachers Church members, 416.
Scholars Church members, 1,202.
Conversions this year, 882.

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The attention of the members and friends of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the Holston Conference, and all others in any way interested, is called to the various advertisements in these Minutes. They relate to matters of general interest and utility. The undersigned is either personally acquainted, or has had business relations with almost every firm represented, and takes pleasure in soliciting for them the patronage of our friends.

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